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Re: 08/574,194

The outcome of Interference No. 103,630 has a material bearing on the patentability of the claims in this application. Prosecution in this application is **SUSPENDED** pending a final judgment in the interference or a period of SIX (6) Months whichever is shorter.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Samuel Barts whose telephone number is (703) 308-4630.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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